

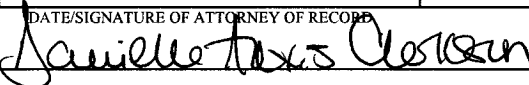
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V. ORIGIN(PLACE AN "X" IN ONE BOX ONLY)

☐ 1 Original Proceeding
 ☒ 2 Removed from State Court
 ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
 ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
 ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (Specify)
 ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
 ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

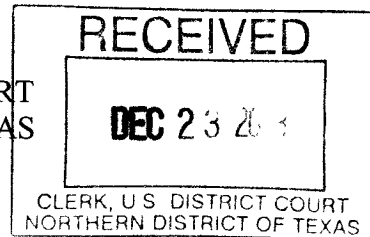
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U S CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE. DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

This Court has original jurisdiction over this civil action on the basis of diversity. (28 U.S.C. § 1332).

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:	CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION <input type="checkbox"/> UNDER F.R.C.P. 23	DEMAND \$	CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: <input type="checkbox"/> YES
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) (See instructions): IF ANY	JUDGE _____	DOCKET NUMBER _____	
None.	DATE/SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD 		
12/23/2003			
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ORIGINAL

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION



ROB J. MCCOY,

PLAINTIFF,

V.

EXHIBITGROUP/GILTSPUR, INC. AND VIAD
CORPORATION INC.,

DEFENDANTS.

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CIVIL ACTION NO.: **303 CV 3050** P

SUPPLEMENT TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

1. State Court Information:

<u>Court</u>	<u>Case Number</u>
In the District Court of Dallas County Texas, 116 th Judicial District	03-12589

2. Style of the Case:

(Please include all Plaintiff(s), Defendant(s), and Intervenor(s), Counterclaimant(s), Crossclaimant(s) and Third Party Claimant(s) still remaining in the case and indicate their party type. Also, please list the attorney(s) of record for each party named, and include their bar number, firm name, correct mailing address, and phone number (including area code.)

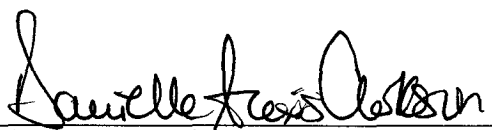
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7. **Claims of the Parties:**

The filing party submits the following summary of the remaining claims of each party in this litigation:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Claims(s)</u>
Rob J. McCoy, Plaintiff	Declaratory Judgment

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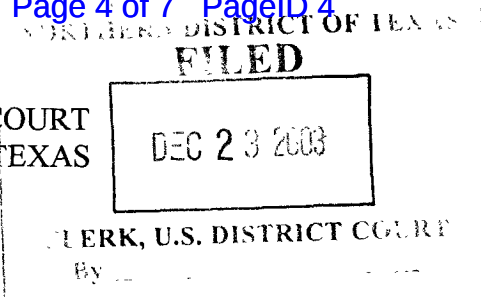
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

COME NOW Exhibitgroup/Giltspur, Inc. and Viad Corp. (collectively "Defendants") and file this their Notice of Removal of an action styled *Rob J. McCoy v. Exhibitgroup/Giltspur, Inc. and Viad Corporation Inc.*, Cause No. 03-12589, which was filed on December 1, 2003 and which presently is pending in the District Court of Dallas County, Texas, F-116th Judicial District, to remove this case to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, and in support thereof would respectfully show as follows:

I.

INTRODUCTION

Plaintiff Rob J. McCoy's ("Plaintiff") Original Petition for Declaratory Judgment ("Plaintiff's Petition") was filed on December 1, 2003. A copy of same was received on Defendants via service on their registered agent on that same day. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), Defendants file this Notice of Removal within the thirty (30) day time period required by 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).

II.

DIVERSITY AS A GROUND FOR REMOVAL

This Court has original jurisdiction over this action on the basis that Plaintiff's suit involves a matter in controversy exceeding \$75,000.00 and citizens of different states. *See* 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a)(1) and 1441(b). Specifically, Plaintiff, as alleged in his Petition, is a citizen of Texas. For diversity purposes, Defendant Viad Corp. is considered to be a citizen of both the state in which it is incorporated (Delaware)¹ and the state in which it has its principal place of business (Arizona). As there is complete diversity between the parties, removal of the action is appropriate pursuant to federal law.

III.

ALL FEDERAL REMOVAL REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET

This Notice of Removal is timely filed with this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), because it was filed within thirty (30) days of the date on which Defendants first received, through service or otherwise, a copy of the initial pleading setting forth the claim for relief upon which such action is based. The venue of this removal action is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a) and (c), inasmuch as the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, embraces Dallas County, Texas, and the 116th Judicial District Court, which is the place where the state court action has been pending.

Immediately upon the filing of this Notice of Removal, Defendants will give written notice to Plaintiff's attorney of the removal of this case, and will file a copy of this Notice of

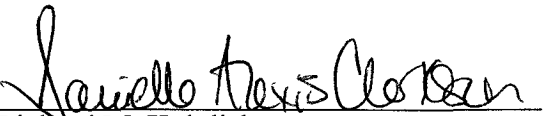
¹ Defendant Exhibitgroup/Giltspur, Inc. ("Exhibitgroup") is a division of Viad Corp., which is a Delaware corporation. Exhibitgroup's principal place of business is in Illinois. There is therefore complete diversity amongst the parties.

Pursuant to Local Rule 81.1, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is an index of all documents which clearly identifies each document and indicates the date on which each was filed in state court, a copy of the state court docket sheet, and a copy of each document filed in the state court action (except discovery) individually tabbed and arranged in chronological order according to the state court file date.

No act of Congress prohibits the removal of this cause, and this cause is removable under 28 U.S.C. § 1441 *et seq.*

WHEREFORE, Defendants pray that the above-entitled cause be removed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, and that this Court assume jurisdiction of this lawsuit and retain it for final disposition and for such other relief, both general and special, at law or in equity, to which Defendants may be justly entitled.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This pleading, NOTICE OF REMOVAL, was served in compliance with Rule 5 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested on this 23rd day of December, 2003.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Danielle Alexis Clarkson", written over a horizontal line.

Danielle Alexis Clarkson